

### **REMARKS**

Applicant thanks the Examiner for consideration of the Application and the identification of allowable subject matter. Claims 1-35 are pending in the application. Claims 1-12, 14-20 and 25-32 are allowed. Claims 21-24 and 33-35 are rejected. Claims 10 and 13 are objected to. Claim 10 has been amended to address the examiner's concern. Claim 13 has been canceled. Claims 21-24 and 33-35 have been canceled without prejudice.

Applicant expresses appreciation to the Examiner for the brief telephone conference on March 8, 2005 to clarify the objection to claim 10.

### **Specification Objections**

The objections to the specification have been addressed through the specification amendments listed above to correct the figure descriptions and designations. No new matter is added by these amendments, as the correct figure designations and descriptions would be apparent to one skilled in the art.

### **Claim Objections**

Claim 10 has been amended to change "has" to "is" as requested by the examiner. Claim 15 has also been amended similarly.

Claim 13 has been deleted.

### **Rejections under 35 U.S.C. Section 102:**

Claims 21-24 and 33-35 were rejected under Section 102(e). These claims have been canceled without prejudice to place the application in allowable form. Applicant does not admit the arguments raised by the Office Action, and reserves the right to pursue this subject matter in a continuation application.

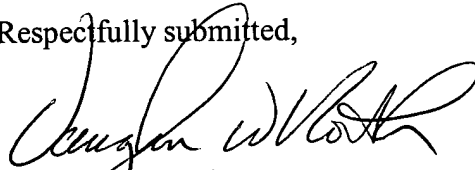
## CONCLUSION

In light of the above amendments, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-12, 14-20, and 25-32 are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant requests that the rejections and objections be withdrawn, and that the claims be allowed and passed to issue. If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to call Vaughn North at (801) 566-6633 so that such matters may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100.

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